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ALTHOUGH SEALS ARE PLENTIFUL IN SEA AROUND ICELAND AND SEAL
HUNTING IS PRACTISED ALONG COAST IN MANY AREAS IN SOUTHERN,
NORTHWESTERN AND EASTERN ICELAND, NO DATA ARE AVAILABLE ON SEAL
STOCKS AND ONLY FIGURES AVAILABLE ON KILLING OF SEALS ARE EXPORT
STATISTICS FOR SKINS. TRADE FIGURES SHOW THAT 6,598 SKINS WERE
EXPORTED IN 1972 AT A TOTAL VALUE OF US\$175,700. MOST WENT TO
WEST GERMANY AND DENMARK. SINCE NO SEAL SKINS ARE FULLY
PROCESSED IN ICELAND THE EXPORT DATA ARE REASONABLY EXHAUSTIVE.
ABOUT TEN SEALS ARE LIVING IN CAPTIVITY IN ICELAND.
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